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FM AMEMBASSY HELSINKI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8199

INFO AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

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AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, FI, VS

SUBJ: FINLAND AND VIETNAM

1. CHARGE DURING JANUARY 10 CALL ON POLITICAL DEPT  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR TORNUDD LEFT GVN DECLARATION OF  
JANUARY 3 ON DRV-PRG OFFENSIVE; EMBASSY SAIGON PAPER  
ENTITLED "WHO IS VIOLATING THE PARIS AGREEMENT";  
AND PAPER ON PRG AND NORTH VIETNAMESE CP BASED ON  
SAIGON'S A-186 (8/29/74). CHARGE NOTED FINNISH ACTION  
IN ESTABLISHING RELATIONS WITH HANOI IN 1972 WAS IN  
US VIEW SERIOUS DEVIATION FROM FINNISH PRINCIPLE OF  
STAYING OUT OF GREAT POWER CONFLICTS AND OF ACTING  
IN EVENHANDED MATTER. CHARGE NOTED CERTAIN CIRCLES  
OF FINNISH PUBLIC APPEAR TO BE PUSHING FOR NEW  
ACTION IN FAVOR OF COMMUNIST SIDE IN VIET-NAM,  
SUCH AS UPGRADING OF PRG INFORMATION OFFICE IN  
HELSINKI. CHARGE SAID US WOULD CONSIDER SUCH A STEP  
VERY REGRETTABLE NEW INSTANCE OF LACK OF EVEN-  
HANDEDNESS. FURTHERMORE, WITH NORTH VIETNAM  
APPARENTLY ABANDONING EFFORT FIND POLITICAL SOLUTION  
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IN FAVOR OF MILITARY MEASURES, ANY ACTION NOW TO

UPGRADE PRG REPRESENTATION COULD BE VIEWED, BY  
DRV, VIET CONG, AND OTHERS, AS FINNISH APPROVAL OF  
MILITARY SOLUTION TO VIET-NAM PROBLEM.

2. TORNUDD SEEMED IMPRESSED WITH SERIOUSNESS OUR  
CONCERN. HE ADMITTED SOME CIRCLES IN FINLAND  
PRESSING GOF TO UPGRADE PRG REPRESENTATION AS RECENT-  
LY DONE IN PARIS AND STOCKHOLM. HE WOULD ONLY SAY,  
HOWEVER, THAT UPGRADING QUESTION IS AT VERY EARLY  
STAGE OF CONSIDERATION AND THAT FINNS WOULD IN ANY  
CASE NOT GO BEYOND WHAT SWEDES AND FRENCH HAVE  
ALREADY DONE.

3. ALSO ON JANUARY 10 USIS MAILED FINNISH LANGUAGE  
PRESS RELEASE TO 250 NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES WHICH  
INCORPORATED FIRST TWO DOCUMENTS HANDED TO TORNUDD  
(WHO ALSO RECEIVED COPY OF USIS RELEASE).  
USIS FOLLOWING UP THIS WEEK WITH SELECTIVE MAILINGS  
TO MPS, ACADEMICS AND TARGET GROUP LEADERS.

4. EMBASSY LABOR OFFICER MAILED COPIES OF USIS  
RELEASE TO KEY OFFICIALS IN FINNISH TRADE UNION  
CONFEDERATION (SAK), FEDERATION OF CIVIL SERVANTS  
AND SALARIED EMPLOYEES (TVK), AND METALWORKERS'  
UNION. HE WILL FOLLOW UP PERSONALLY IN NEXT FEW  
DAYS AS APPROPRIATE.  
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